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CITY OF SPRINGFIELD INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

ATTENTION OFFILE	DATE October 11, 1982		
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On Sunday, October 10, 1982, at 10:30 P.M. I received a call from the Fire Department dispatcher that Charles W. Hedrick of 963 S. Delaware was getting gasoline fumes in his basement. I met the Fire Marshal, Gary Gorley, on Delaware and he had gotten a reading of 18% L.E.L. on his explosion meter in the basement floordrain. He advised Mr. Hedrick to run water into the drain. Gary Gorley and I then checked the manhole above his lot, but didn't get a reading. The two manholes below the lot had readings of 10% L.E.L. The flusher was called and the main in the alley and the main on Grand Street were flushed.

co: Robert R. Schaefer, P.E., Superintendent of Sanitary Services Henry Cole, P.E., Sanitary Engineer

Karen Chandler
Water Pollution Control Inspector II
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February 22, 1990

Memo to File 951 South Delaware

On February 20, 1990 Karen Chandler and Steve Short accompa-Jerry Cody and Bill Crossland from the Fire Department in an inspection of 951 South Delaware to investigate a plaint of an oil-like liquid entering the basement of The home is a late 1940's brick structure with a 2/3's basement under the west portion of the structure. and water mains are located along Delaware Street. lines enter the basement on the south side. Both natural gas water lines have been replaced in the last few years. The sanitary sewer main is located in an alley in the rear of the lot. The home drains by gravity to the sewer. The basement has a stool and several floor drains. One floor in the southwest quadrant receives the water from an autowasher through a hose to a removed cleanout plug in a drain. The home has a natural gas furnace installed within the last five years, by the current owners C.U.'s initial date is 11/84. It has a coal chute door on the south side of the basement. There is a small concrete footing located next to the outside basement wall just north of where the basement wall extends to the west for the outside yard entrance. The footing does not serve any purpose today, but may have served as a fuel oil tank foundation. This is due west of the sewer pipe that penetrates the basement floor that provides the loss of integrity that has allowed the pollutant to enter the structure.

The owners, Morris and Pearl Beckham guided us to an area at the base of the interior stairs to the basement where the

the ribbon patch in the concrete floor that extends from a floordrain near the centerwest portion of the basement east

approximately ten feet. This appears to be a illegal connection of a groundwater footing drain to the sanitary sewer. This possibly could have played a significant role in the

to the east basement wall and then south along the east

sanitary sewer pipe penetrates the basement floor to serve the main floor. The pipe is located just inside the basement wall and near the center of the west wall. There is an outside entrance stairway a few feet to the south of the sewer pipe. The outside entrance area is a continuation of the basement concrete wall and appears to have been poured at the same time. The pollutant observed is little more than a Same time. The pollutant observed is little more than a warren stain on the concrete floor, while a floor mat that had been professional used to cover the stain smells very strongly of a diesel like compound. Similar but less propounced stains were observed HAROLP in several other locations at seems or cracks in the floor.

BLANLET One area of special importance is the installation of what Mrs. Beckham called "perforated pipe" by Charles Howell, 833-/60 Hometech Water Proffessionals, 869-1535, in 1985, or 1985. She indicated the contractor jackhammered the floor and installed the pipe to eliminate a water seepage problem in the basement. The extent of the project can be estimated from

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current problem by lowering the high groundwater table so that a pollutant in the soil outside the basement wall could follow the cone of depression and migrate under the basement floor.

The yard of 951 South Delaware and surrounding homes were investigated for signs of fuel oil tanks, drop tubes, or other obvious signs of hydrocarbon contamination. None were observed. 955 South Delaware, occupied by Mr. Coleman, was also investigated. He is in excess of 90 years old and moved in the home in 1940. He could not recall the Beckhams home ever using fuel oil. His basement was investigated with no indications of any similar pollutant problem. The basement had several active groundwater leaks that flowed across the floor to a four inch clay pipe located in the south basement wall, floor interface. This pipe does not appear to be connected to the sanitary sewer and may be tributary to a storm sewer. We also received permission from Mr. Coleman to pump a old hand pump in his backyard. A few gallons was pumped and no odor or sheen was observed. We did not inspect the Hedrick home at 961 South Delaware.

We did observe some elevated L.E.L. readings in the sanitary sewer in \mbox{Grand} Street.

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Gene, J.D., and I inspected the sewers around 963 S. Delaware for gasoline. All branches upstream were checked. It appears the source is located in the vicinity of manholes 26, 27, 40, wye map Q-13. The source may be a leak this office discovered in October, 1981, at the Webster Oil Station, 1003 S. Glenstone. Another possibility is underground tanks at the Ming Car Care. This location will be investigated further. During our investigation Mrs. Charles Hedrick stopped us to inquire about our findings. We informed her our investigation was not complete. We reinspected her basement floor drain and observed a 20% L.E.L. We also noted that the floor drain clean-out plug was missing. Mrs. Hedrick was advised to replace the plug, as the missing plug was allowing the fumes to enter the home. When the plug is replaced their problem should be solved.

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